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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6 line 13 as follows:

Figures 10 ~~10A and 10B~~ depicts a schematic of the screen for the candidate agents of the germline  $\epsilon$  promoter ~~and examples of survival constructs useful in the screen. Figure 10A is an experimental schematic. Figure 10B depicts the survival construct useful in the screen. Position~~ 1 can be a number of different genes, including FAS chimeric receptor outlined herein (including extracellular mouse Fas receptor or mouse CD8 receptor coupled with the human transmembrane and cytoplasmic Fas receptor), HSV-TK, P450 2B1 and p21 peptide.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6 line 22 as follows:

Figure 12A, 12B, ~~and 12C, (SEQ ID NO:7)~~ and 12D (SEQ ID NO:7) depict a construct useful in the present invention, comprising ~~the~~ a Fas survival construct (i.e. the use of a death gene). The sequence is of the inducible  $\epsilon$  promoter-chimeric Fas-IRES-hygromycin-bovine growth hormone poly A tail that is put into the C12s vector backward ~~to so~~ that no leaky transcription happens through the cmv promoter.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6 line 27 as follows:

Figure 13A, 13B, ~~and 13C, (SEQ ID NO:7)~~ and 13D (SEQ ID NO:8) depict a construct useful in the present invention, comprising ~~the~~ a Fas survival construct (i.e. the use of a death gene). The sequence is of the inducible  $\epsilon$  promoter-chimeric Fas- (either CD8 or mLy2)-IRES hygromycin-bovine growth hormone poly A tail that is put into the C12s vector backward ~~to so~~ that no leaky transcription happens through the cmv promoter.